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Knothole

S.U.N.Y. College of Environmental Science and Forestry

SQUARE DANCE

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FRIDAY, NOV. 6 9-1 A.M. NIFKIN LOUNGE

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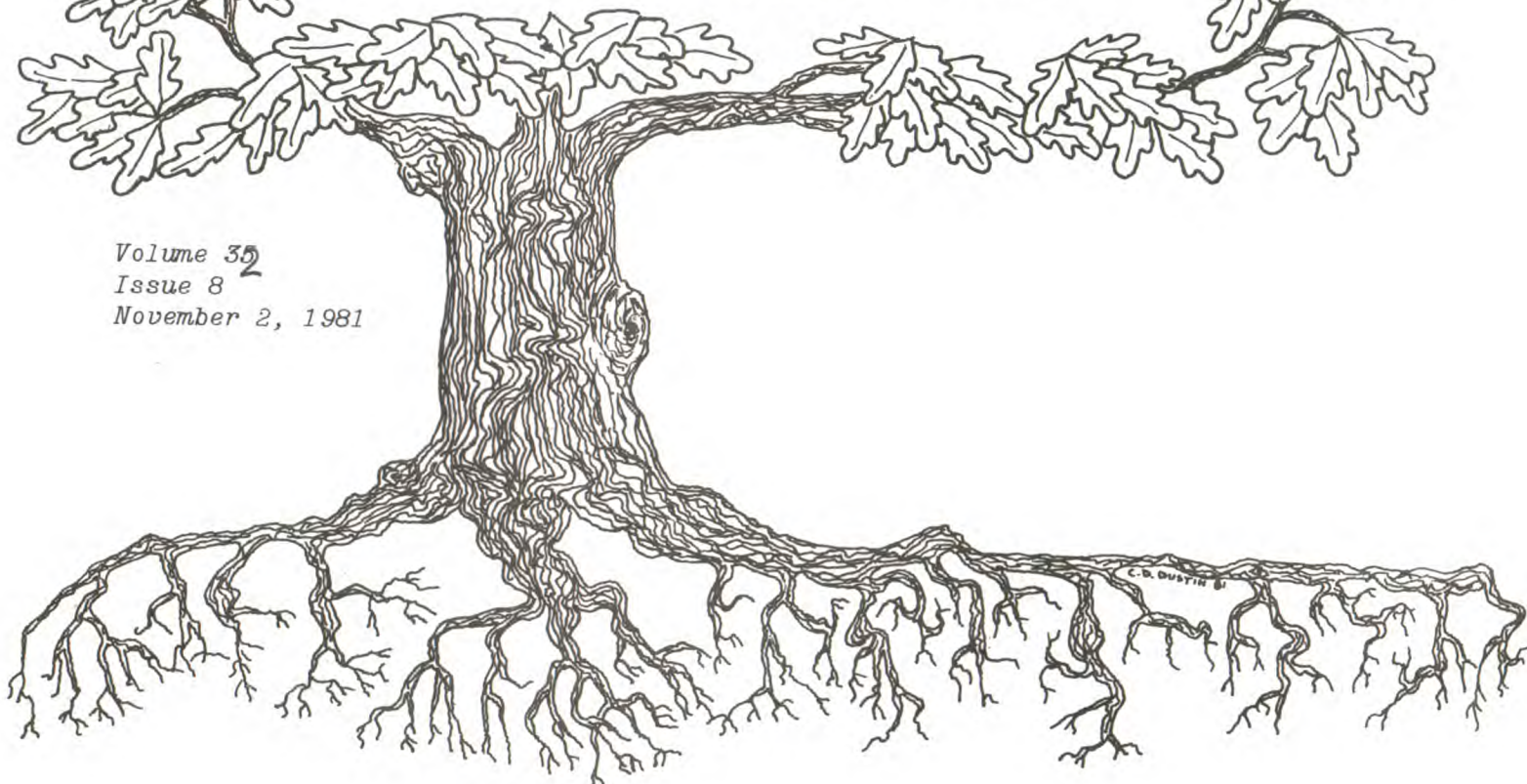
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Who's Who??

The deadline for submission of applications for Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities is Friday, November 6, 12 Noon.

Pick up your application today in 104 Bray.

Criteria: *Leadership at ESF and/or SU
*Community activity
*GPA of 2.5 or better

Student Recruiters

How did you hear about ESF? Represent the ESF Admissions Office at your high school during semester break (January 4-8) as part of the ESF Student Recruiters Program.

SIGN UP IN 104 BRAY

Mandatory training session December 1 or 2 at 7:00 p.m. in Room 216 Bray Hall. The program will last about one hour. A GPA of 2.0 or better is required.

NEW!

The Directed Studies Center is now open. This Center has been developed to help students overcome any problems they may have with fundamental ESF topics, like photosynthesis, plant structure, or genetic theory. It is located in Room 8 on the lower level of Moon Library. The Center is open from 1 - 5 and 7 - 10 daily; Saturday and Sunday, 12 - 4. If you had trouble with any topics from the Diagnostic Test given the first week of school or just feel the need to brush up on any basic concepts, this is the place to go for help.

Patch Design

SCHOOL PATCH DESIGN CONTEST !

Due to price increases in production of patches, Small Store is in need for a new school patch. The specifications are:

- (1) Patch must not be larger than 4" in diameter.
- (2) Patch color is limited to three different colors.
- (3) All designs must be in by Nov. 14th.

Where to enter:

- (1) Place design and name in student council mailbox OR
- (2) Leave design and name at student council office.

The winning design will become the official school patch.

Dave Stern
2nd VP Student Council



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HOLD YOUR BREATH!

You breathe 17,000 times each and every day. But the air you breathe is far from clean. Life-threatening chemicals contaminate each breath. Other pollutants destroy plant and animal life, cause smog and ruin visibility.

Yet industry lobbyists and the Reagan administration are mounting a massive campaign to destroy the best weapon we have for protecting ourselves from air pollution - the Clean Air Act. Unless we act now, we and our children can look forward to more cancer, more heart and lung disease and more acid rain.

What's at stake? Your health.

Over 140 million Americans live in places where the air is still unsafe to breathe. Air pollution aggravates infections, asthma and heart disease. It adds appreciably to the death toll from cancer, lung disease and heart attacks. Harvard University scientists have estimated that tens of thousands die prematurely each year because of pollution-related illnesses. As many as 65 million Americans - including children, the elderly and people with heart and lung disease - are particularly sensitive to air pollution. Scientific studies show that areas around certain polluting factories are often cancer "hot spots". While the Clean Air Act requires EPA to regulate those toxins that cause cancer and birth defects, the agency has so far set standards for only four chemicals. Scores of other poisons remain uncontrolled.

Your environment.

Sulfur and nitrogen oxides react in the atmosphere to form acids that fall to earth, often hundreds of miles from their origin, as acid rain. In this form they destroy property, harm forests and farmland, damage wildlife habitats, and kill lakes and the fish and birds that rely on them. Acid rain, sometimes as acidic as vinegar, has been measured in all parts of the country, including the Adirondacks, the Rockies, the Smokies and the Boundary Waters of Minnesota. Forty-eight thousand Canadian lakes are also threatened. The main contributors to acid rain are automobiles and large coalburning power plants. The pollutants and particulates from these sources also damage visibility, even in our national parks.

Speak Now!

Because Congress will decide soon whether you and your children will have clean or dirty air, there is something you can do to protect yourself. Write your two Senators and your Representative, telling them that you support a stronger, not weaker, Clean Air Act. That's right. A pen and paper, an envelope and an 20 cent stamp are the best weapons in your breather's survival kit. Tell your elected representatives that you want a Clean Air Act that:

- Protects the health of all people.
- Effectively controls acid rain.
- Keeps the PSD and visibility programs intact.
- Removes toxic chemicals from the air.
- Retains strong automobile emission standards.

Your legislators can be reached at:

The Honorable Alfonse D'Amato/Daniel P. Moynihan
U.S. Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable _____
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

The U.S. Capitol switchboard number is (202) 224-3121.

SAF

Alaska has for many years evoked feelings of both adventure and concern within its extensive boundaries. It comprises approximately 586,412 square miles of majestic mountains, forests, lakes, and rivers, all of which are vital concerns for future resource considerations.

On Thurs., Nov. 12 at 7:30 pm in room 212 Marshall, Mr. Floyd Carlson, Professor Emeritus of the College of ESF, will allow us to experience Alaska's beauty and potential through his many years of adventures with Alaska's resources. Mr. Carlson was involved with the team which completed the first triangulation survey to determine the height of Mt. McKinley, as well as with many of the original surveying expeditions within Alaskan boundaries. Along with a slide presentation, Mr. Carlson is sure to have many interesting and entertaining points to make about his Alaskan involvement. So; please mark this date down somewhere; this is part of the educational process which can't be matched through textbooks or lectures. I'm sure you won't want to miss this presentation.

Also - don't forget: Involvement within the chapter isn't limited to the Assembly. Everyone is invited to become involved in the various committees which are active.

Your input is vital to continue the success of the nation's largest SAF student chapter.

Thanks much,
J. Gifford

The student chapter SAF will offer a field trip for students and faculty to DEC managed woodlands in and around Cortland County. The trip is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, Nov. 14. State Forester Dave Riordau will guide the group through areas being treated with differing silvicultural practices. A logging operation tour in which loglanding, and skid trail layout are discussed is a possibility. More information will be provided at the next general meeting being held Nov. 12.

Sign up sheets will be posted in Marshall Hall this week. If you have any questions contact Jim Contino at 475-6384 or Eric Jespersen at 422-1370.

BMC

The BMC had another very successful work weekend this year. After stopping in Wanakena to borrow "equipment" and in Saranac Lake to get "fueled up", we made it up to South Meadows to set up camp. After too few hours of sleep, we awoke to a gorgeous, sunny, Adirondack day. We split into work crews, collecting rocks for trail stabilization, laying corduroy, cleaning waterbars, and building cairns on the trails up to Phelps, Cascade, Indian Pass, Marcy Dam, and Algonquin. We returned to camp for a "stick to your ribs" spaghetti dinner, some "beverages", and too many bad jokes. Overall, it was a very productive weekend, with...

Thank you all: Bill BARROWS, John Gifford, Jeff Zehr, Mark Toporoff, Ken Hotopp, Bill Olsen, Lisa Wahle, Dan Lenthal, Mike Dent, Chris Urda, Dave Kane, Phil Fulton, Brooks Fulton, Eric Lopez, Sue Greenwood, Ceil Antes, Peg Crim, Barry Blanchard, Bill Haines, Cheryl Rawls, Bernie Braun, Jeff Carroza, Andy West, Doug Wade, Jim Kedenburg, Henry Keller, and special thanks to Ketch, Pete Fish, and John Wood for all the work and organization.

On Wednesday, November 4th, Mr. Bill Tierson, Director of Huntington Wildlife Forest for about 30 years, will give a lecture entitled, "Influences on Forestry in the Adirondacks." He is a very interesting man guaranteed to bring up some very controversial items. All are invited so come on out for a while to 319 Marshall at 7:30. See you there!

(To all RM's - take some time off from studying Biometrics!)

BMC Steering Committee

FIGHT APATHY

DON'T JUST STAND THERE --- DO SOMETHING!

ANYONE interested in not paying more for future schooling, having clean air and water, or any other important issue please contact Dave Stern &/or Steve Finkelstein. We're planning to aim a few petitions, phone call marathons and letter writing campaigns at some key targets (Senate, Congressmen, etc.) and we need a little bit of help from alot of people.

Thanx!

Questions Deer Hunters Ask

Conservation Comments

By Paul M. Kelsey

New York State Division of Fish and Wildlife

Since operating my first deer checking station in Horseheads in 1950, I have been manning one every opening day someplace in south-central New York. Except as the questions relate to current deer seasons and trends, the questions over the years have not changed. Here are a few of the most asked ones.

Q. What was the live weight of my deer?

A. There is a simple rule of thumb for estimating live weight of a properly field dressed deer. To the dressed weight of your deer, add one-third of that weight and you get the approximate live weight. In other words, for each three pounds of dressed weight add one pound to get the live weight.

Q. How much edible meat is there on my deer carcass?

A. This will depend greatly on how badly the carcass has been misused and abused. To estimate the edible meat in a well-handled carcass, you figure 75 percent of the field dressed weight will be edible, or three pounds of edible meat for each four pounds of the field dressed carcass.

Relative to this last question is a comment often heard expressing the belief that the butcher last year didn't return all of the venison. The average yearling buck in New York is a shade under 120 pounds when field dressed. If there was no loss of damaged meat, the edible meat would be just under 90 pounds. This is only one and a half cubic feet of meat. If you get more, it is bones and packaging.

Q. My buck has tumors on its head and shoulders. Is it fit to eat, and what are they?

A. About one buck in fifty and one doe in two hundred and fifty will have at least one tumor or papilloma which is generally less than three inches in diameter, but may be twice that size. It is usually a hard, round structure with a black surface. The point of attachment to the body is small giving it a pendulous appearance. These growths are caused by a filterable virus that gains access to the deer's body through abrasions in the skin. They are derived from the skin, and completely removed when the hide is removed, and therefore have no effect on the edibility of the venison. The only serious problem they cause to the deer is when the tumors are located where they interfere with eating or seeing.

Q. When do the bucks shed their antlers?

A. By the end of our season, one buck in about twenty may have shed, but the peak is reached during January. In late March, I once saw two bucks still with antlers intact, feeding on winter wheat with the Canada Geese.

Q. How long will a deer live naturally?

A. Deer living in confinement and eating commercial rations have lived to be seventeen years old. In the wild, if they survive all the other hazards, they will starve to death when their teeth have worn to the point where they can no longer chew the coarse winter food that they must eat to survive. This will usually occur during their eleventh or twelfth winter.

STUDENT COUNCIL NOTES

-Notice the sign on the quad. PLEASE USE THE SIDEWALKS! A conscious effort on the part of the students is needed to alleviate the problem of a dirt path on the quad. Feel free to yell at anyone cutting across it.

-We need a senior representative from the schools of ERE and FOR to serve on Student Council. If interested leave a letter of intent in the Student Council mailbox or give it to me. (No experience necessary.)
-Congratulations to Larry Young, Tom Cooney, and Mary Jo Antonacci; the newly elected Jr. Class Representatives.

-Here's an easy way to get involved in an activity and represent the entire student body. Student participation is needed on four faculty committees:
College Affairs Committee
Library Committee
Computer Committee
Curriculum and Program Review Committee
There are about 6 people on each committee, they meet once a month, and we need a student representative on each one of them. You get a vote on the committee. Anyone, Junior or Senior, from any school, who is interested, please let me know.

Pat Kelpeck
S.C. President



Once again the KI's had a rockin' week, Last Saturday we had a real successful showing at the Greek games. Our chariot made it to the semi-finals and Clint Zimmerman cleaned up and took first place in the donut eating contest. The final standings aren't in but we certainly finished in the top ten.

Thursday night we cruised down to Cortland State for a Halloween party with Nu Sigma Chi, their craziest sorority. The road trip was well worth it, and needless to say, "A good time...".

Until next week,
Glenn Lindsley, Publicity Chairman

The Greenhouse Open House

Plan to attend

November 6-7

Schedule of events

November 6

- Greenhouse tours by members of the Botany Club. Every 20 minutes from 1-3:30 p.m.
- Rededication Ceremony. 5 Illick. 3:30 p.m.
- Lecture: "The Fate of Life on Earth: The Role of Botanical Gardens and Living Collections." Dr. Hugh H. Iltis, University of Wisconsin. 5 Illick. 4 p.m. Informal reception following.

November 7

- Greenhouse tours by members of the Botany Club. Every 20 minutes from 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
- Lecture-demonstrations and poster presentations at various locations throughout Illick Hall. Concurrent with scheduled tours.

Women in the Work World

A series of three seminars on Women in the Work World, sponsored by the Student Affairs and Personnel Offices at ESF, has been very well received by the College community. Over 50 people attended each of the first two sessions addressing the changing role women have assumed in the work force and the choices they have made to adapt to this new lifestyle.

The final session will be held this Thursday, November 5, in Moon Conference Room, 12-1 p.m. The topic will be "The Continuous Challenge" presented by Ms. Helen Buck.

Don't miss it. All students, faculty, and staff are encouraged to attend. Feel free to bring your lunch.

GOINGS ON!

Wednesday, November 4

- 7:00 P.M. CHEMISTS IN ACTION - General meeting, 308 Baker
7:30 P.M. BMC sponsored speaker: Mr. Bill Tierson, "Influences on Forestry in the Adirondacks" - 319 Marshall
ALL DAY SENIORS - sign up for free yearbook picture sitting - B19 Marshall

Thursday, November 5

- 12:00 NOON "Women in the Work World" #3 - Moon Library Conference Room
4:00 P.M. "Graduate School Selection" - The Office of Career and Counseling Services - 319 Marshall
7:00 P.M. Alpha Xi Sigma meeting - 321 Bray
7:00 P.M. Backyard Nature Program meeting - 212 Marshall
7:30 P.M. Wildlife Society speaker: Dr. William Porter will speak on the "Wild Turkey of Minnesota." ALL are welcome - Room 5 Illick
ALL DAY SENIORS - sign up for free yearbook picture sitting - B19 Marshall

Friday, November 6

- 1:00 P.M. Knothole Layout. - TYPISTS NEEDED!!! - Room 404 Bray
9:00 P.M. SQUARE DANCE with Cranberry Lake - Nifkin Lounge
ALL DAY SENIORS - sign up for free yearbook picture sitting - B19 Marshall

Saturday, November 7

- 9:00 A.M. Woodsmen's Team Intercollegiate Competition - Hendricks Field - all day

Monday November 9

- 4:00 P.M. Office of Career and Counseling Services: "Decision Making" - 321 Bray
4:30 P.M. Knothole Collation - 404 Bray - HELP NEEDED!!!
6:30 P.M. Student Council Meeting - Moon Conference Room

COMING SOON:

Thursday, November 12

- 4:15 P.M. GSA Lecture: Garrey Carruthers, Assistant to Interior Secretary James Watt speaking on "Natural Resources Management in the '80's" - Marshall Auditorium

Saturday, November 14

CIA: Brewery field trip. - Sign up sheet will be in Baker very soon.

A REMINDER: Friday, November 27 is the deadline for submitting feature articles, poetry, artwork, and cartoons for the Knothole Creativity Contest. All material, which may be submitted via the Knothole mailbox in the basement of Marshall, should: 1) State at the top, "For Creativity Contest" 2) Clearly state which category it is entered under 3) List author's/artist's name and phone# 4) Be LEGIBLE!!!

THE WINNERS IN EACH CATEGORY WILL RECEIVE A \$10 PRIZE!!!! !!

WOODSMEN'S MEET

YEEHAW!

On Nov. 7, Saturday, we will be hosting teams from Finger Lakes Community College, Paul Smith's College and Unity College, Maine in the first annual Syracuse Fall Woodsmen's meet. The events start at 9:00 am Saturday on Hendricks Field. We would like to see all of you at the meet!! Your oral support will be appreciated. Where the hell is Hendricks Field?! It's between Sadler Dorm and Baker Lab! Support your local athletics!

Congratulations to all those who made the team .

Signed, Doug & Ceil

FORESTRY CLUB

"Woodsmens" Team, Woodswomen team, for November 7th meet!

WOMENS TEAM

Ann Vroman WPE
Ceil Antes WPE
Eileen Travis LA
Mary Kenny RMP
Peg Crim RMP
Mary Vollmer RMP

ALTERNATE

Robin Viola Grad

MENS 'A' TEAM

Bill Haines RMP
Steve Kass WPE
John Gibbs RMP, FBO
Doug Daley FEG
Gerry Reymore RMP
Barry Blanchard Env. S.

ALTERNATE

Calvin Huntzinger RMP

MENS 'B' TEAM

Bill Smuts ERE
Pat Ross LA
Glen Barrea BCE
Fred Gager RMP
Rick Coggins ERE
Jeff Herter BCE

ALTERNATE

Dave Bryan WPE

BBQ

Yesiree, Bob! Here's the final results of the annual Fall BBQ 1981, finally, From 1st to last Wanakena, BCE, FOR, & Faculty/Grads/Alum (tie), ERE, LA.

Tug-o-war went to ERE (despite allegations of faulty footing).

Thanks to everone who helped, especially Jim Jalligan, Howie, Jack, Bill Ehlers, Dr. E. Palmer, G. Kyanka, J. Coufal, L. Smith, and allthose who I forgot (sorry!)

CONGRATS RANGERS!



MAPLE FACT AND FOLKLORE

There's an old tale which attributes the discovery of maple syrup to an Indian squaw and her husband. The squaw left her cooking pot under the tree where her brave was napping so that he could bring her some water from the spring.

When the brave awakened, in a rage he plunged his tomahawk deep into the tree, to remind the woman that fetching water was a chore for squaws. The tree happened to be a maple, and because of the tomahawk cut, by morning the pot was full of sap. Thinking it was water, the squaw stewed her venison in it, thus becoming the first gourmet chef in American history.

Presented by The Botany Club